

# GuildNews

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## *President's Message*

Since this is my last article as President of the Guild, I want to thank all the folks who have supported me over the last four years. It would be difficult to start singling out individuals but I have to say the officers and board of directors have been outstanding in their support. All other members have been quick to lend a helping hand and I say thanks to each of you.

There have been a lot of activities, ranging from our annual Juried Show to demonstrations and hot dog suppers. This has all been a lot of fun for me. I certainly hope all of these activities continue even on a larger scale. Certainly, one of the most exciting and rewarding activities is our toy program. You folks have given your time and effort to make this a tremendous success.

When all is said and done, I believe we have accomplished one of our major objectives . . . "to provide a forum to promote woodworking skills and interest." I look forward to working with the new officers and board and hope you give them the support you gave me.

Don't forget the Christmas party on December 14 at Shades Crest Baptist Church. See you December 7.

*Dan*

## *Next Program — Bring Your Toys*

It is only once a year we get to do this and the time has now arrived. We look forward to this year's output; and if the output for the SHOW is any indicator, your toys will be magnificent and in huge quantities. Tables will be set up for you to put your toys on, and if they are too large for a table top there is always the floor. We had a representative of the Children's Hospital and one from the UAB Organ Transplant Center at the October meeting. Each made a pitch for the need for our toys using illustrations of how they are used. There were several suggestions made by our guests as to some of the preferences the children have in the way of toys. For instance: NASCAR race cars, footballs, buildings (they can fantasize play situations), heart shaped things for the girls, boxes (all little girls love boxes), cutouts of circles so they can paint them and make "smiley" faces, Christmas cutouts. Those are just a few suggestions, and we are sure you can do even better. The gentleman from UAB intones us to remember some of the young candidates for a heart, liver or lung transplant and how their day is very boring without something to do or play with. He then shared with us a quotation they use at the Center, "Don't take your organs to heaven, heaven knows we need

them here." There is something wrong with you if, by now, you aren't stirred up to go to your shop and turn out a bushel of toys. Let's stay in the 1,800 to 2,000 total toys again this year. There will be representatives of both hospitals at the meeting, and they will transport them to the hospitals after the meeting. BRING YOURS.

## *Last Program—October 2000*

Finally, after three years of providing the programs, Charley Ard brought us the program. It was well worth waiting for and generously received. He brought his latest in a string of 8 (eight) boats he has built, and this one is a "doozey" (not a real word but tells the tale.) This monster is a 29' x 8' beauty, twin screws, plywood covered with fiberglass and all stainless steel metal parts. The thing weighs some 3,300#. He started the boat last January and has awhile to go before it is finished. It was built upside down, and it took a crane to turn it over and set it on the trailer when ready. He has kept a photograph record of each step he has been through. At this time he has spread some

20 gal. of epoxy on the fiberglass and will add some 10 more gallons. It is a lovely boat even in its present state of completion, and we appreciate his bringing it for us to see. He is offering to take each of us to the Gulf coast for a ride. Just let him know when you are ready.

## *Election — 2001*

We have a blue ribbon committee dedicated to making nominations for our leaders next year. They are Bill West, Chairman who, along with Ben Neighbors and Fred Baker, brought us an outstanding slate of prospects. As presented:

President	Charley Ard
Vice President	Cliff Saxon
Sec'y-Treas.	Harold Phillips
Guild News Editor	Leonard Sanders
Board of	
Governors:	Jack Tyler
	Bob Browning
	Buzz Kelly
	Paul Mancill
	Frank Jones
	Jack Perry

Our By-Laws require us to have a reading of the slate at the October

meeting which was done and that the election be held at the November meeting. If you want to make any nominations from the floor, please do so at the November meeting.

## *Woodworking Class*

The duo of Fred Baker and Mike Key report the class is going well, and they are well along on the work bench they are making. Thanks, guys.

## *Show and Tell*

George Schoppert: A Christmas tree made of pine and painted green that is centrally drilled and placed on a dowel center post—the limbs of the tree looked to be about 1/2" x 1/2" and started out about 10" long at the bottom and tapered to about 2" at the top. The limbs rotate on the center post. Holes in the limbs are drilled, and suckers are placed therein. C.W. Jovaras displayed three mahogany bowls he had turned—now get this, these were his first venture into

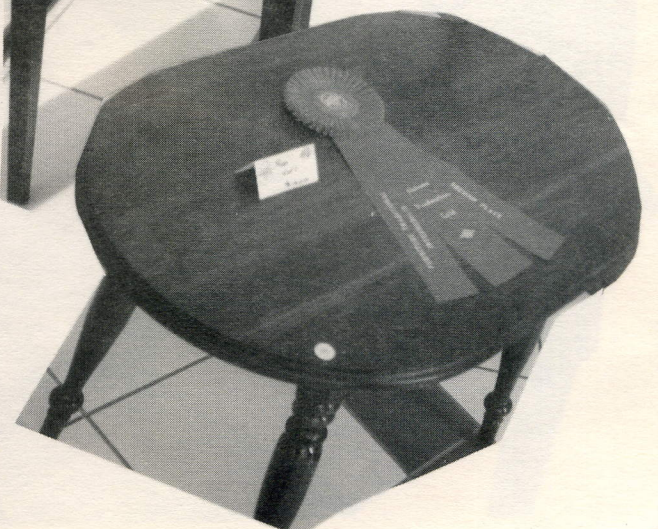
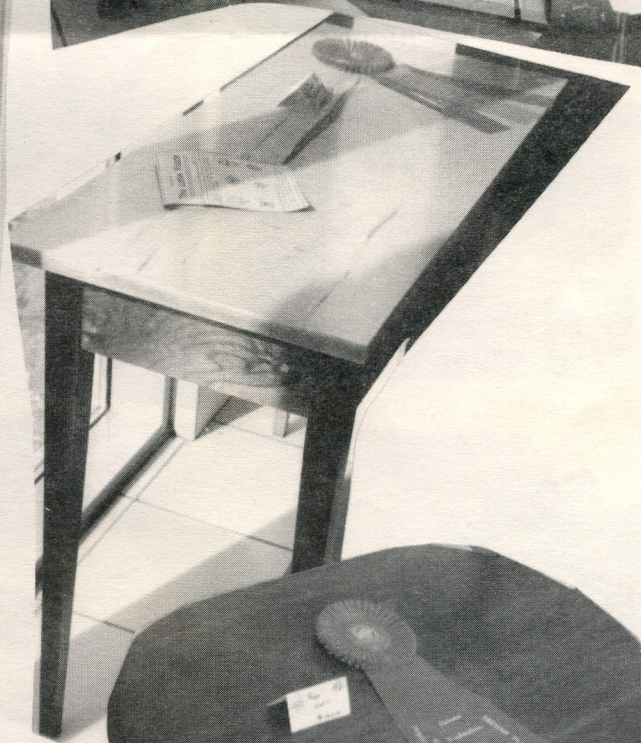
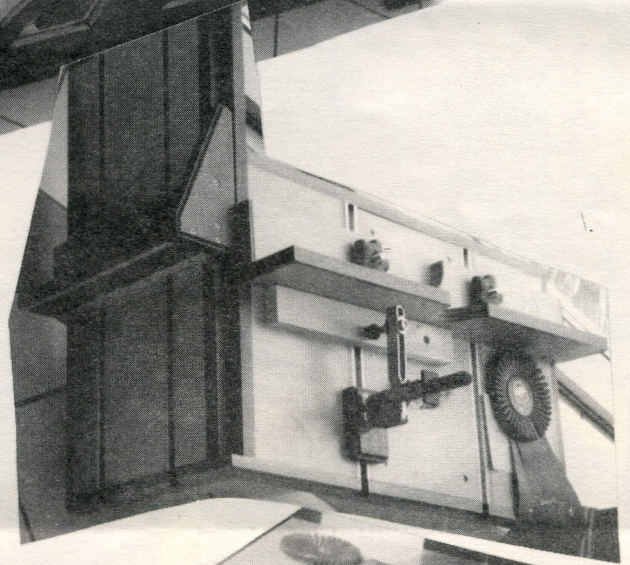
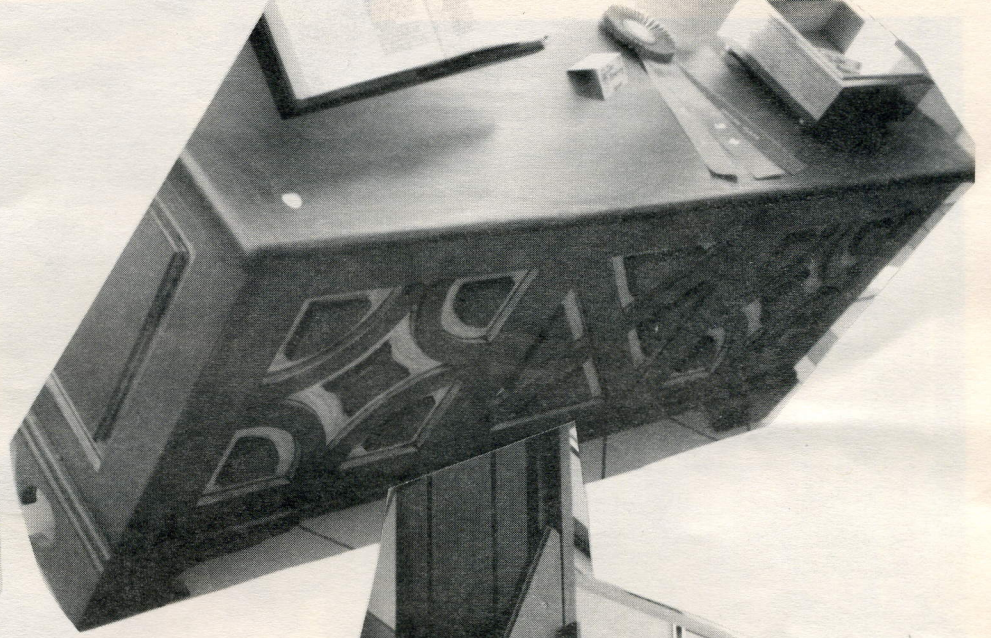
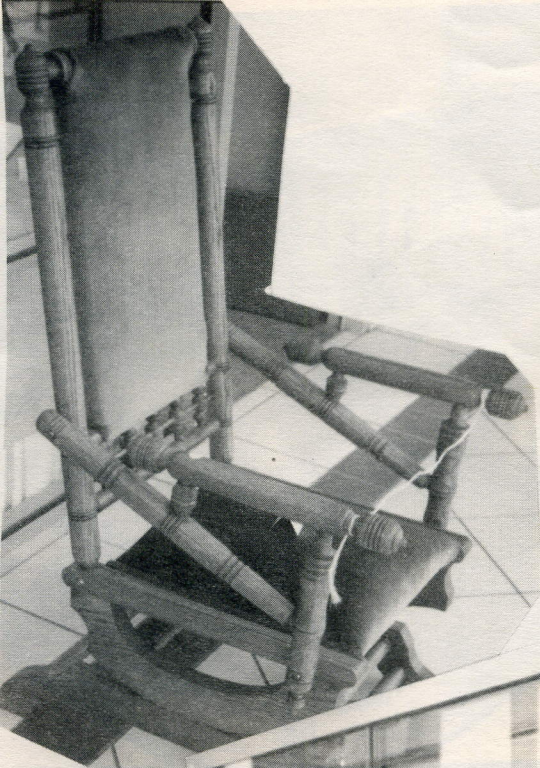
bowl turning and he met with success on his first try. Leonard Sanders showed a bowl made from a wood he didn't know the name or origin. The assembled members were asked to identify the wood for him but no one did. He has since learned that the wood is RAMON, and it comes from Mexico.

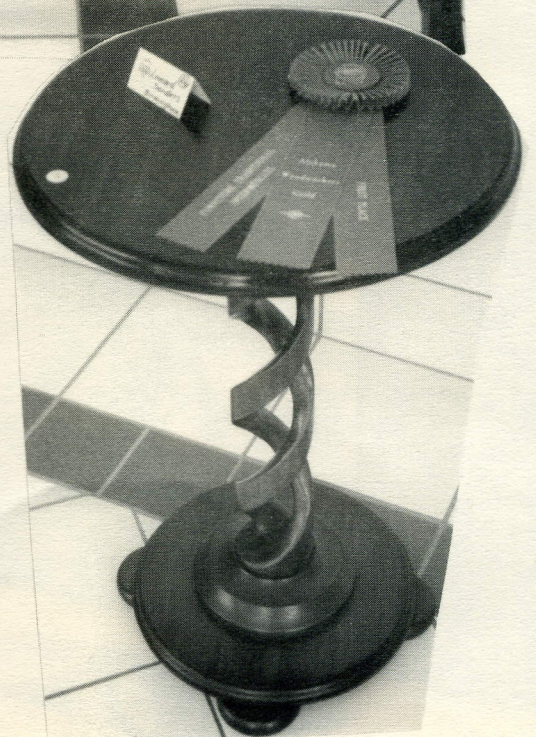
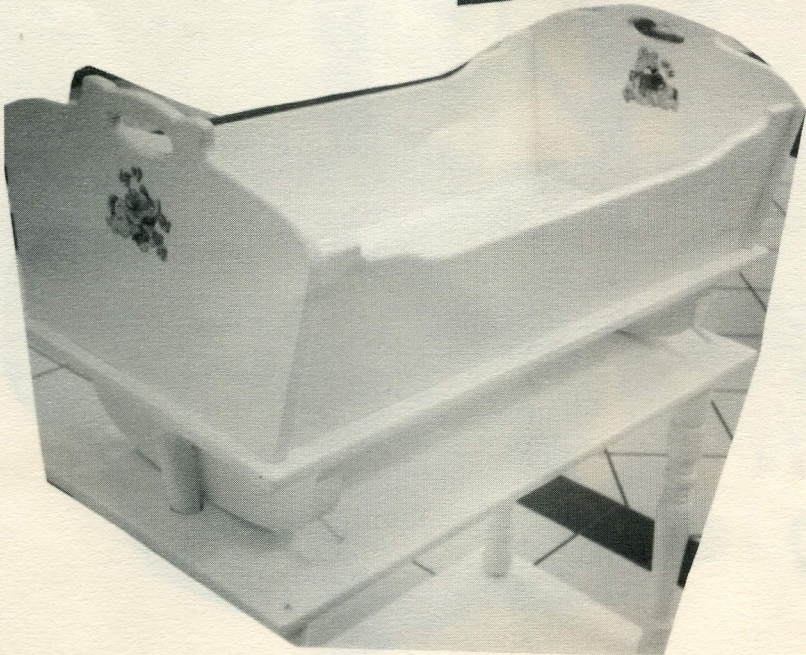
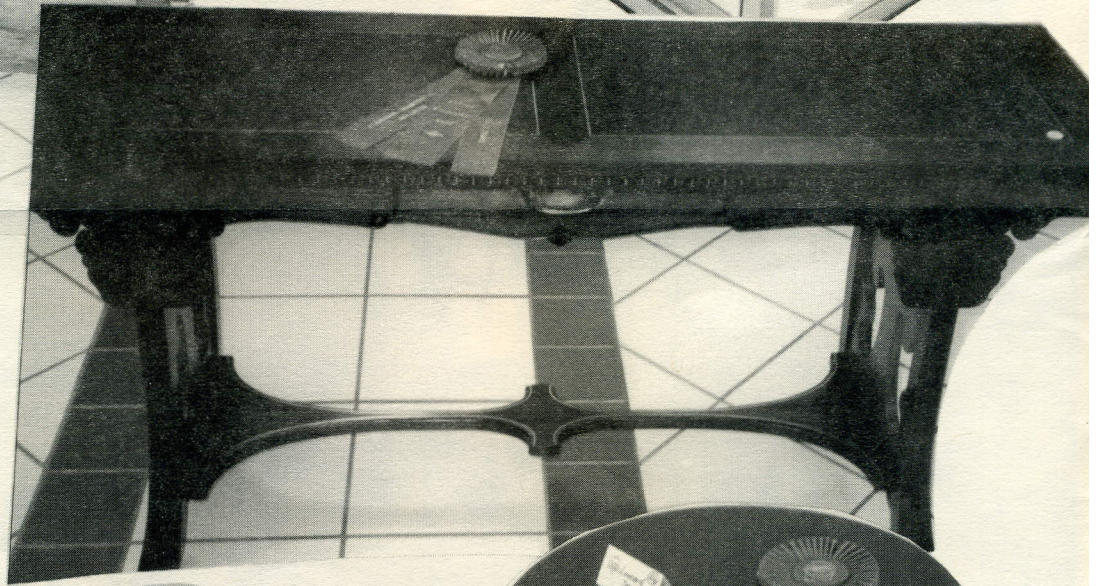
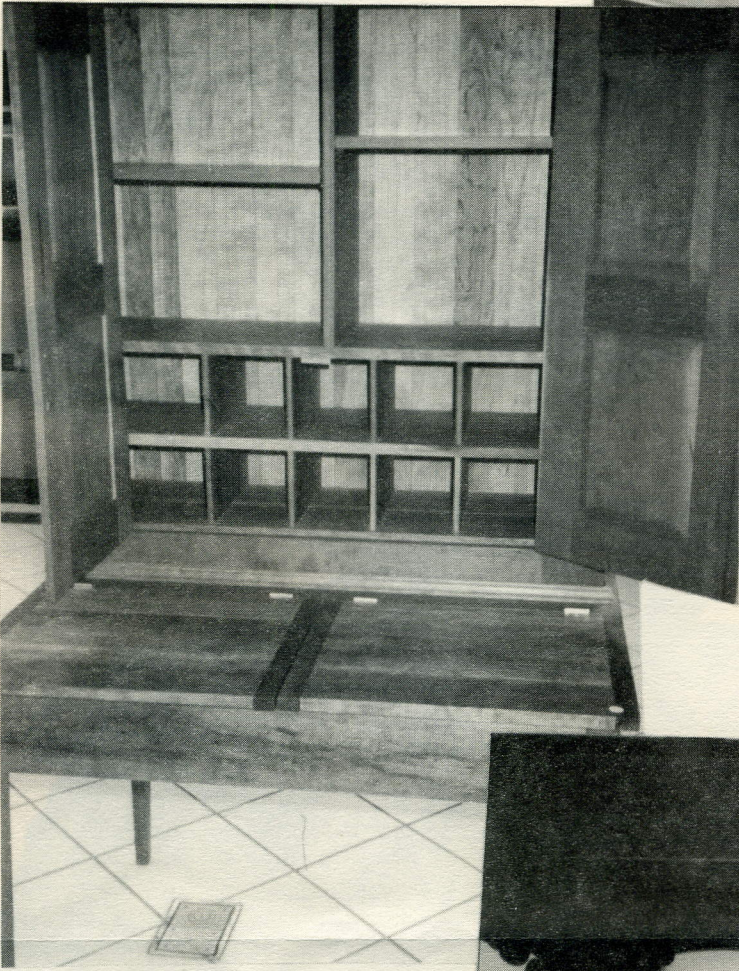
## *Dean Black*

On Dec. 2 & 3 from 1-5 pm, Dean will be holding an open house - an annual affair. His gallery and shop will be open (and some munching goodies) both of which are worth seeing. He has some 15 lathes of all sizes. Take I-59 N to the Springville exit, go to the first traffic light, turn left and go a couple of blocks and you will see his building on your right.

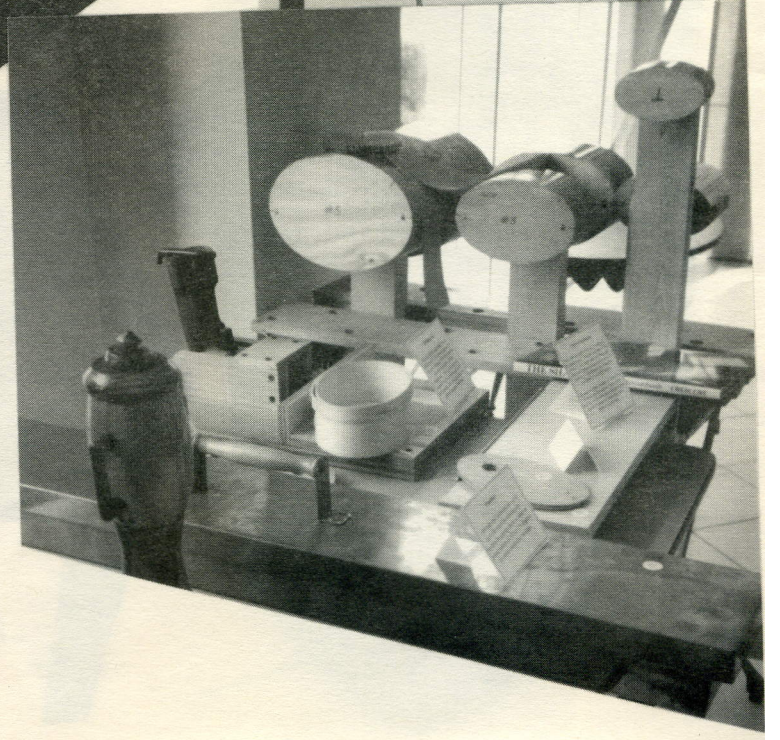
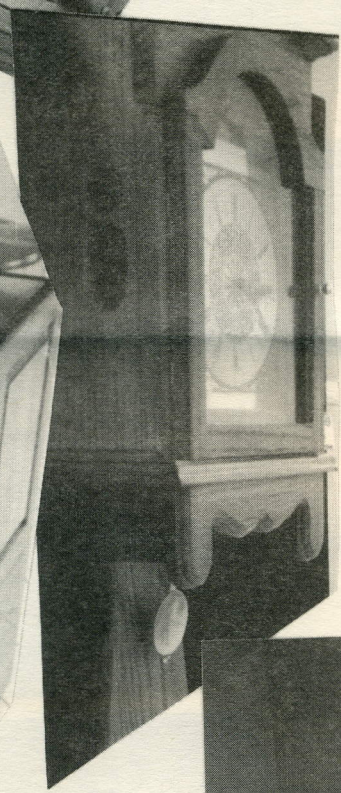
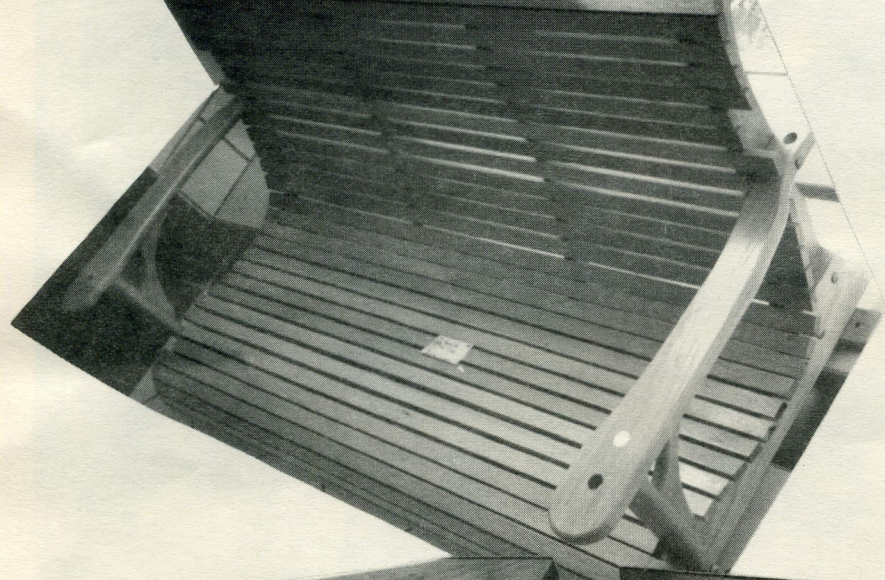
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Newsletter is published monthly for its members and other interested parties. Guild Meetings are held monthly on the second Thursday at 6:30 PM at Jos. Thuston & Sons Saw Works. Take I-65 to Maifunction Junction and get on I-59/20. Go past the Civic Center until you can take exit 126B where you turn right on 31st Street for one block; turn right on 10th Ave., North, and go 3 blocks. Bo Thuston's is on your left.

information concerning the Guild may be secured by calling Charles R. Yerby at 205-426-4320.









# THE SHOW

Another magnificent show has been assembled, disassembled and written in the history books. There were 31 of our members who participated by bringing 105 pieces for display. Of the 105 pieces, 75 were for judging and 30 were for display only. Incidentally we are indebted to Jacque Pierre Perry for these statistics and for the names and winners of the juried show. First off, you will be interested to know who the members of the Guild were who entered the SHOW:

Charles Ard	Ben Neighbors
Walter Barnett	Paul Noah
Mel Brown	Jacque Perry
Dan Browning	Harold Phillips
Jack Grove	John Powell
Ron Hoff	Frank Ryerson
Frank Jones	Leonard Sanders
Mike Key	Cliff Saxon
Ivan Kronberg	George Schoppert
Ben Landrum	Ed Sheriff
James E. Lee	Hal Skalka
Jim Lee	Herb Slaymen
Steve LeSeur	Lawrence Thomas
Paul Madinger	Bob Tucker
Paul Mancill	Charles Yerby
Earl Mann	

Now for the names, winners and entries of the winners of the 2000 SHOW held at the North Shelby County Library.

### Traditional Furniture

	(Advanced)	(Intermediate)
1st	Ed Sheriff Chinese Altar Table, Walnut, Soapstone, Brass	Leonard Sanders Occasional Table, Mahogany
2nd	Frank Jones Bombe Chest, Mahogany, Maple, Oak	Ron Hoff Lamp Table, Cherry
3rd	Paul Mancill Grandfather's Clock, Walnut	Cliff Saxon Writing Table, Walnut

### Contemporary Furniture

	(Advanced)	(Intermediate)
1st	Ed Sheriff End Table, Canary, Lauro Preto, Brass, Walnut	Mike Key Display Cabinet, Padauk, Holly, Mahogany, Poplar
2nd	Dan Browning Sofa Table, Walnut, Tiger Maple	Jim Lee Butcher Block Table, Maple, Poplar
3rd	Ed Sheriff Chair, Walnut	No Entry

### Wood Turning

	(Advanced)	(Intermediate)
1st	Lawrence Thomas Bowl, Florida Rosewood	Leonard Sanders Bowl, Spalted Maple
2nd	Lawrence Thomas Vase, Walnut, Smoked Pearl Trim	Leonard Sanders Planet Saturn Bowl, Sycamore
3rd	Mike Key Bowl, Curly Maple With Textured Interior	Herb Slamen Vessel, Ebony, Spalted Oak

### Small Objects

	(Advanced)	(Intermediate)
1st	Frank Jones Gent's Walking Stick, Maple, Cocobolo, Sterling Silver	Ben Landrum Eagle, Walnut, Maple
2nd	Dan Browning Cigar Humidor, Walnut, Spanish Cedar	Ron Hoff Band Sawn Jewelry Box, Zebra Wood
3rd	Frank Jones Lady's Walking Stick, Gum, Ebony, Ivory, Sterling Silver	Ben Landrum Clown Picture Frame, Walnut, Maple

### Woodcarving (Open)

1st	Earl Mann St. Francis Figurine, Bass Wood	James E. Lee Drill Press Table, Mahogany, Birch Plywood
2nd	Paul Mancill Wedding Guest Book, Mahogany	Jack Perry Shaker Oval Box jigs, Plywood, Pine, Stainless Steel, Copper, Aluminum
3rd	Earl Mann Cross, Basswood	Jack Grove Display Case For Antique Plane, Pine

### Open (Beginners)

1st	No Entries	Ben Landrum Pickup Truck, Mahogany
2nd		Ben Landrum Byplane, Cherry, Mahogany
3rd		John Powell, Wagon, Oak

**Door Prize**

This month's lucky winner was Leon Anderson.

**Ivan Kronberg**

There isn't much to report about Ivan except he has been through more surgeries and is still in the I C Unit. We still hope and pray for Ivan and Barbara.

**River Sawmill & Lumber**

Jim and Christine Flournoy were visiting with us and had a fascinating story to tell. They have a lumber business located in Prattville, but not just any ordinary lumber. The cypress lumber came from logs that have been submerged for about 100 years in the river and have been retrieved, sawn into lumber and dried. They also have what you might call recycled lumber from old barns and or houses such as heart pine which is great for flooring. Mr. Flournoy brought along some 17 pieces of cypress

which he donated as door prizes. Pretty stuff, too.



**For Sale**

Bobby Michaelson, owner of Ramwood Furniture, has a RIGID woodturning lathe for sale. The gentleman who sold it to Bobby turned it on one time and the speed was obviously too high and he was so frightened he wanted to get rid of it. So it is brand new, and is sold by Home Depot for \$297. Bobby is only asking \$140 for it, and you will never be able to beat that price. His number is 323-5070.

**Christmas Party**

We may be woodworkers, love the smell of wood, love the

feel of wood, but our monthly meetings devoted to woodworking are nothing to compare with our annual Christmas party. It is held on the second Thursday in December, our regular meeting night. As always, the Guild will furnish the meat and drinks and you members are requested to bring a covered dish (or uncovered dish) of vegetables, salads or desserts. The party will be on December 14 at the Shades Crest Baptist Church (a fine meeting facility). We are fairly sure the quartet we had last year will be with us again. Meanwhile, enjoy Thanksgiving.

**Exotic Wood Sale**

ECO Forest Products is sending a trailer of exotic hardwood (not dancers) to our November 9th meeting.

You can purchase DIRECT off the truck bocote, cocabola, ebony, and other exotic hardwoods.

Bring cash—ECO does not take American Express.



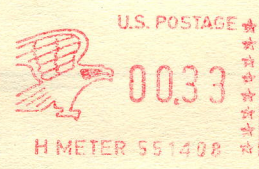


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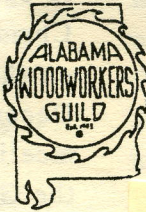
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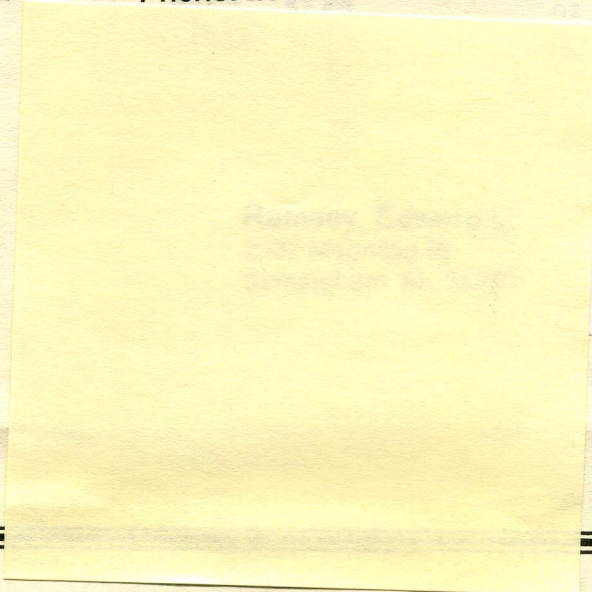



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